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Idaho Cattle on Feed Down 2 Percent from Previous Year

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on March 1, 2013 totaled 225,000 head, down 2 percent from the previous year, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. The cattle on feed inventory is unchanged from February 1, 2013. Placements of cattle in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during February totaled 36,000 head, down 1,000 head from February 2012 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during February totaled 35,000 head, down 6,000 head from last year. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head during February.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.9 million head on March 1, 2013. The inventory was 7 percent below March 1, 2012. Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.48 million, 14 percent below 2012. Net placements were 1.42 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 355,000, 600-699 pounds were 270,000, 700-799 pounds were 407,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 450,000. Placements are the lowest for February since the series began in 1996. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.64 million, 7 percent below 2012. Other disappearance totaled 60,000 during February, 35 percent below 2012.